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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Sccretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th St., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554 JAN - 2003

Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary

Re: Qwest Communications International Inc.

Consolidated Application for Authority to Provide In-Region, InterLATA Services in New Mexico, Oregon and South Dakota

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant **to** Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the Comniission's *Public Notice*, "Updated Filing Requirements for Bell Operating Company Applications Under Section 271 of the Communications Act," DA 01-734 (March 23, 2001) (rereleased April 27, 2001), Qwest Communications International Inc., on behalf of itself and its subsidiaries, Qwest Corporation, Qwest LD Corp. and Qwest Communications Corporation (collectively, "Qwest"), submits herewith its Consolidated Application for Authority to Provide In-region InterLATA Services in New Mexico, Oregon and South Dakota (the "Application").

Qwest's submission contains the following items:

- An original and one paper copy of the Brief in support of the Application, its associated attachments, and Appendices A through E.
- One CD-ROM set in read-only format containing the Brief in support of the Application, its associated attachments, and Appendices A through E.
- Three CD-ROM sets in read-only format containing the archival portions of the Application (Appendices F through P).

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> One paper copy of each document containing confidential material, together with a letter identifying the confidential documents being submitted

Concurrently herewith, Qwest is submitting under separate cover the following items to Janice Myles, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street SW, 5-C 201, Washington, D.C. 20054:

- 12 copies of the entire Application in paper form.
- I2 CD-ROM sets in read-only format containing the entire Application.
- Two paper copies of each document containing confidential material, together with a copy of the letter, described above, identifying the confidential documents being submitted.

Also concurrently herewith, Qwest is submitting under separate cover the following items to Nancy M. Goodman, Chief, Telecommunications and Media Enforcement Section, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, 1401 H. Street NW, Suite 8000, Washington, D.C. 20530:

- 8 copies of the entire Application in paper form.
- 8 CD-ROM sets in read-only format containing the entire Application.
- One paper copy of each document containing confidential material, together with a copy of the letter, described above, identifying the confidential documents submitted with the Application.

Qwest also is providing copies of its Application in paper and CD-ROM form to the pertinent state regulatory authorities and the FCC's copy contractor, Qualex International. Qwest will make the Application available on its website, appropriately redacted to exclude confidential documents.

Inquiries regarding access to the confidential materials included in the Application should be directed to the following:

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Finally, also enclosed is an extra copy of this letter to be stamped as received and returned via our messenger.

Questions concerning this submission should be directed to the undersigned

Respectfully submitted,

Hogan & Hartson L.L.P.

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Enclosures

cc: Janice Myles
Nancy Goodman
Qualex International
New Mexico Public Regulation Commission
Public Utility Commission of Oregon
Public Utilities Commission of South Dakota